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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re App : Claudiu D. Pruteanu et al : June 22, 2005  
S. N. : 09/844,843 : Art Unit 3652  
Filed : April 27, 2001 : Examiner J. W. Keenan  
Title : AUTOMATED LOADER ARM

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to a Final Official Action dated April 22, 2005, which carried the normal shortened-statutory period for response of three months so that a reply is due by July 22, 2005. This response is submitted within two months of the date of the Action.

It is requested that the following amendments to the claims be entered as they are believed to place the claims in condition for allowance: